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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Mail Stop AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated February 12, 2008. An extension of the deadline for response to the Office Action is respectfully requested pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and the appropriate fee is submitted herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. No additional claims fees are due.

Amendments to the Abstract are described on page 4 of this paper. A Replacement Abstract is submitted herewith.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.